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1. WE ANTICIPATE THAT DRAFT RESOLUTION WILL BE ADOPTED EASILY. DRAFTING GROUP -- UK, FRANCE, ITALY, TANZANIA, CAMEROON, MAURITANIA, IRAQ AND GUYANA -- WILL SUPPORT. SWEDEN HAS INDICATED IT EXPECTS INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTE IN FAVOR. JAPAN AND COSTA RICA WILL PROBABLY VOTE FOR.

2. USSR AND BYELORUSSIA WILL ABSTAIN AND PRC HAS NOT INDICATED HOW IT WILL VOTE ALTHOUGH IT GENERALLY DOES NOT PARTICIPATE IN SC VOTES ON CYPRUS ISSUE.

3. ALL THREE PARTIES, ESPECIALLY CYPRIOTS AND GREEKS, CAN BE EXPECTED EXPRESS REVERSATIONS ABOUT ONE ASPECT OF RESOLUTION OR ANOTHER. BASIC QUESTION IS WHETHER ONE OR MORE WILL REJECT RESOLUTION. AS OF THIS AFTERNOON CLERIDES SEEMED TO HAVE THE MOST RIGID INSTRUCTIONS AND CAN BE EXPECTED
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DEMONSTRATE GREATEST DISSATISFACTION.

4. US POSITION HAS BEEN TO SUPPORT ANY RESOLUTION WHICH HAS SUPPORT OF PARTIES AND WHICH WOULD RESULT IN RESUMPTION OF NEGOTIATIONS. IF, AS WE ASSUME, TURKS IN CRITICIZING RESOLUTION DO NOT REJECT NEGOTIATIONS BUT GREEK CYPRIOTS DO, AN AFFIRMATIVE US VOTE WOULD BE INTERPRETED AS PRO-TURK. IN THAT CASE WE CAN ABSTAIN ALONG WITH SOVIETS.

5. HOWEVER, IF NONE OF PARTIES REJECT CONCEPT OF REVIEWED NEGOTIATIONS DESPITE THEIR RESERVATIONS ABOUT RESOLUTION AFFIRMATIVE US VOTE WILL BE CONSISTENT WITH OUR PREVIOUS POSITION.

6. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, OUR RECOMMENDATIONS ON US VOTE WILL BE MADE AFTER PARTIES HAVE HAD TIME TO CONSULT WITH THEIR CAPITALS. WE WILL BE IN CONTACT WITH THEM AT OPENING OF BUSINESS MARCH 12 AND IMMEDIATELY TRANSMIT OUR RECOMMENDATION, WHICH WILL BE BASED ON DEPTH AND SCOPE OF PARTIES' OBJECTIONS.

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